

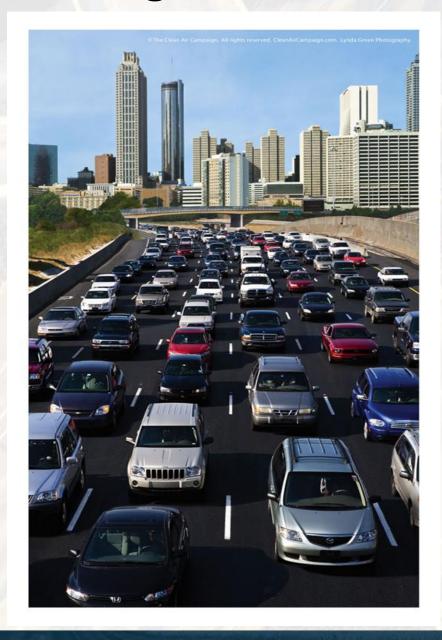
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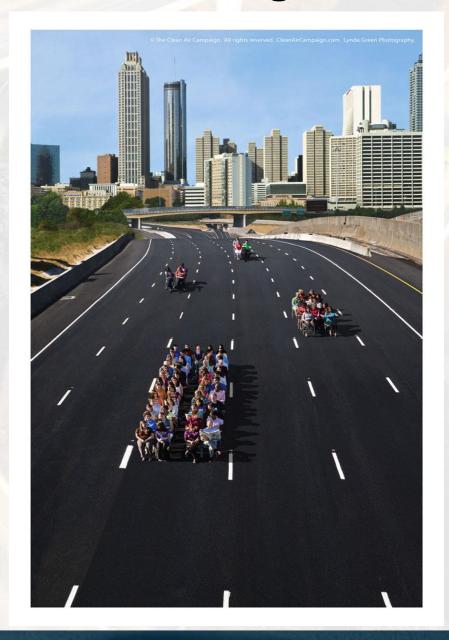


#### Introduction

- Georgia Commute Options was created in 1996 to promote and incentivize ridesharing and alternatives to driving alone
- GDOT-led program receives \$6.5 million annually in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funding

### **Georgia Commute Options Reduces Congestion**





#### **Transportation Demand Management Nationwide**



















































# Georgia Commute Options: "Get More by Driving Less"

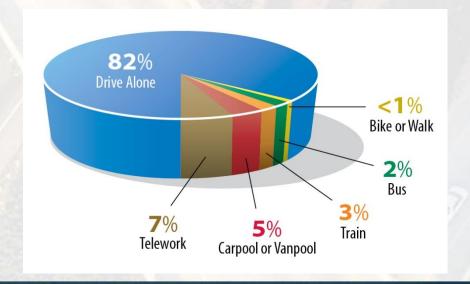
Services provided to help commuters.

- Carpooling Services provided to match carpoolers
- Employer Services Program consultation, ridematching for employees, tax benefits, teleworking
- Guaranteed Ride Home Service
- Vanpools Find or start a vanpool
- Transit Provide traveler information
- Incentives for switching from driving alone to a commute alternative



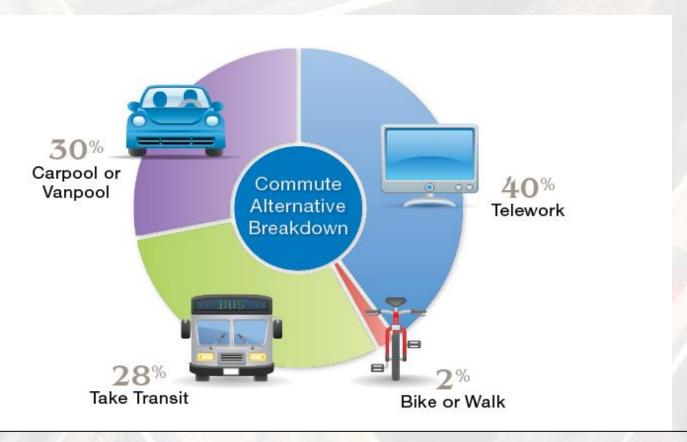
#### The State of Commuting in Georgia

- Significant congestion along urban interstates
- Georgia is the sixth most expensive state for driving when factoring in cost of repairs, insurance, and gas
- Average of 30 minutes on a one-way trip to work
- 82% of commuters drive alone
- Congestion costs us in time, productivity, and quality of life





#### **Metro Atlanta Commuter Patterns**



20% increase since 2007 in the number of commuters using alt modes 3+ days per week.

Source: 2010 Regional Commuter Survey conducted by the Center for Transportation and the Environment study on behalf of the Georgia Department of Transportation



# Georgia Commute Options Daily Results

- Serves 1,600 Georgia employers and property managers
- Reduces 1.1 million miles of vehicle travel daily in metro Atlanta\*
- Eliminates 550 tons of air pollution daily in metro
   Atlanta\*
- Saves participants \$500,000 in direct savings on gas and vehicle expenses, daily in metro Atlanta\*

\*Statistics from 2012 Georgia DOT Travel and Emissions Impact Summary



#### **Partners**

































## **Programs and Activities**

- Telework Week
- Clean Commute Week
- Earth Day
- Dump the Pump
- Commute Pursuit
- PARK(ing) Day
- Atlanta Bike Challenge



**\$3 A DAY** 

Driving alone and ready to switch?



\$25 PRIZES

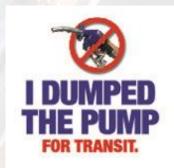
Already using a commute alternative?



**\$40 - \$60 GAS CARDS** 

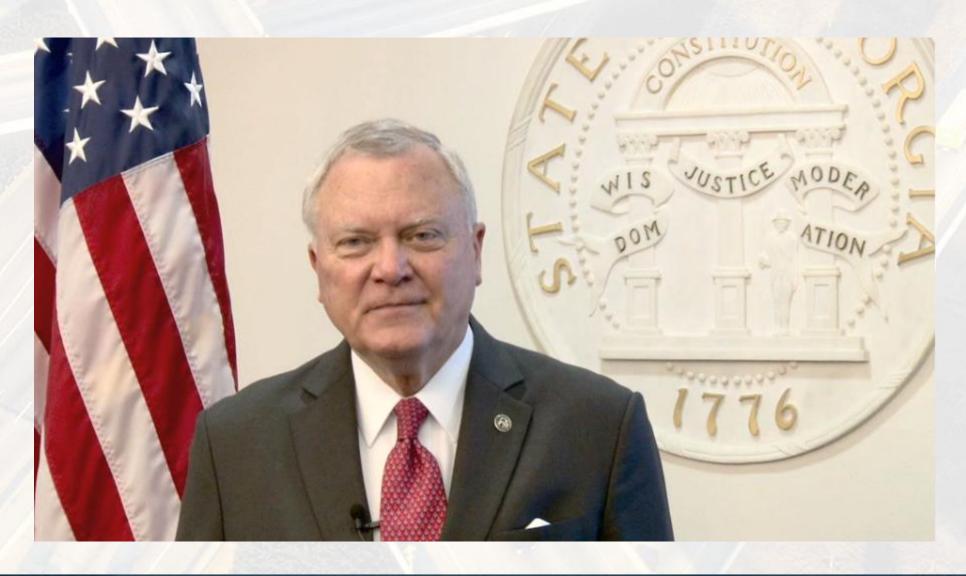
Ready to upgrade your carpool?







# **State Agency Program**





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#### **Social Media Success**



Check out @GovernorDeal's groundbreaking onew Express Lanes coming to I-75! on.11alive.com/1satzzS @GADeptofTrans

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2 RETWEETS





MYTH: I can't bike to work because I don't want to do it alone.

FACT: Our ridematching tool isn't just for cars! Use it to find a bike buddy in your hood, and get fit on your way to work this year.



Georgia Commute Options: Find a Ridematch gacommuteoptions.com

Free services to help improve how you get to and from work.





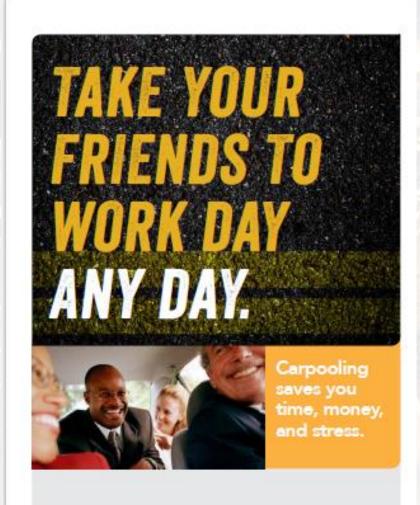






## **Next Steps in 2015**

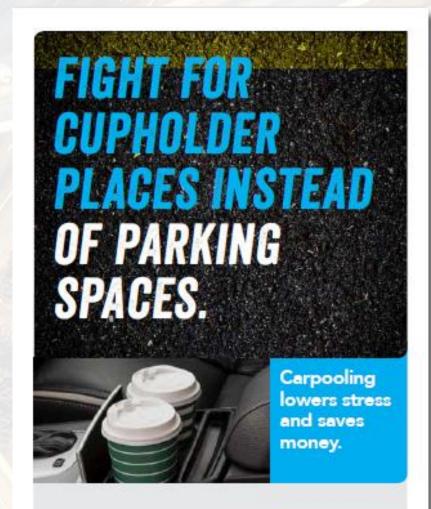
- Digital Advertising
  - Utilizing Rocketfuel, and other artificial intelligence tools, to help achieve high ROI on digital advertising efforts
- Technology
  - Website enhancements
  - Exploring opportunity for program app
- Marketing Campaign "Be the Solution"



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